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Sir:

The present paper is being timely filed in response to the Office Communication, mailed March 28, 2005, and is submitted with a request for continuing examination.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.